IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Sheila E. Johnson

Docket No: DJ0301000

Serial No: N/A Group No:

Filed: With Application Examiner:

For: Traveling Bag Protector

PRIOR ART STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and 1.98

Commissioner of Patents

Box DD

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Prior Art Statement in the instant application. The references listed in form PTO-1449 and explained in the body of the application are the closest prior art of which Applicants and counsel are aware. The statements contained herein are believed to constitute a concise explanation of the relevance of each listed reference. These statements, of course, are not intended to be a substitute for the Examiner's complete consideration of each listed reference.

U.S. Patent Documents

Reference AA: In U.S. Pat. No. 6,431,580 Kady, discloses an improvement on prior art for a collapsible wheeled caddy. The wheeled caddy, having multiple purposes, has a

front and back panel, vertically hinged side panels, a hinged bottom panel and retractable handles within the back panel.

Reference AB: In U.S. Pat. No. 6,109,627 Be, discloses a bowling bag carrier, carrying tow or three bags loaded with a plurality of bowling balls and allowing a user to easily receive or remove bowling balls into or from the bags.

Reference AC: In U.S. Pat. No. 5,074,571 Reese, discloses an apparatus for transporting, storing and carrying a plurality of bowling balls, bowling accessories and equipment, includes a housing having vertically stacked interior compartments for storing bowling balls.

Reference AD: In U.S. Pat. No. 5,431,428 Marchwiak et al., discloses a carrying case assembly is provided with a case defining an enclosed interior, and a collapsible handle assembly disposed within the case. The handle assembly includes a push button which allows the handle to collapse within the case. Wheels are provided on the outside of the case so that, in conjunction with the extended handle, the case may be transported as if it were a wheeled cart.

Respectfully submitted,

Delphine M. James

Registration No. 45,960

Delphine M. James, Attorney-at-Law

2656 South Loop West, Ste. 170

Houston, Texas 77054

Phone: (713) 661-4144

Fax: (713) 661-4145

Attachments: PTO-1499

FORM PTO-1449 (Modified)

LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

ATTY DOCKET NO. DJ0301000

SERIAL NO.

APPLICANTS
Sheila E. Johnson

STATEMENT (Use several sheets if necessary)					FILING DATE WITH APPLICATION	GROUP			
REFERENC	E DESC	CRIPTION	Ų.\$. P	ATENT	DOCUMENTS				
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME		CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
P.N.D.	АА	6,431,580	8/13/ 2002	Kady Be Reese		280	655	5/29/99 3/5/99	
M.M	AB	6,109,627	8/29/ 2000			280	47.19		
A.K.	AC	5,074,571	12/24 1991			280	47.19 12/5/90		/90
M.A.F.	AD	5,431,428	7/11/ 1995	Mar	Marchawiak et al.		280 655 11/9/9		/93
	AE								
	AF								
	AG			<u> </u>					
	АН							<u> </u> 	
	Aí								
	AJ								
		F	OREIGN	PATE	NT DOCUMENTS	;			
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE		COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO	
	AK								
	AL								
	AM								
	AN								
	AO								<u> </u>
	ОТ	HER ART (Includi	ng Autho	r, Titl	e, Date, Pertinen	t Pages,	Etc.)		
	AP								
EXAMINE	R				DATE CONSIDER	RED			

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

(Information Disclosure Statement(Section 9 pto-1449 (Modified) [6-1](page((of (()